

Minutes for Syringe Advisory Board-Amended

December 17, 2018

Members Present: Judy Sousa, Rachel Waldman, Aaron Ostrom, Dr. Donald Baird, Sgt. Leonard LaFrance, Greg Sparks-Ex Officio

Members Absent: Sarah Kerr

Guests: Bob Kelly, formerly of Natural Resources Management at 3rd and P St.

1. Approve Minutes of November 26, 2018 meeting. Motion by LaFrance, Seconded by Ostrom, All aye, approved

2. Co-Chair Judy Sousa introduced Bob Kelly, recently retired from Natural Resources Management, a neighbor of HACHR to discuss issues in the surrounding neighborhood:

- Great deal of traffic-walking, biking, skateboarding; bringing drug dealers into area

- Lots of bad behavior

- Scared for employees in the area; clients don't want to come in

- The behavior led to the re-location of an attorney office

- Decreasing property values; unable to sell property

- Business in the area being negatively impacted by HACHR's operations

- High level of drug use in the neighborhood

- Neighbors concerned about retaliation

- Sgt. LaFrance asked about litter in the area-HACHR clean-ups. HACHR has one paid position to address syringe litter clean-up; the L Shape area of 4th and R Streets

- Sgt. LaFrance brought up issues at the Library and how it has gotten worse in the past 5 months, and the Zero Tolerance Zones: Library, Kamisu Park

- HACHR trying to mitigate behavior by cutting off services

- Waterfront Recovery Services adding 6 beds for sobering

3. Judy Sousa handed out proposed recommendations that address regulation of syringe exchange. Greg Sparks had to leave for another meeting and was not able to complete the Minutes. It was decided that the group would like to have a pharmacist attend the next meeting.

4. Next Meeting-January 29, 4PM.